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LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Mayor David Dermer and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jorge M. Gonzalez, City Manager

DATE: October 30, 2007

SUBJECT: Recent Awards

The purpose of this LTC is to share with the Mayor and Commission several recent awards the City of Miami Beach has been nominated for and or received. These include the following:

- International City/County Management Association (ICMA) – The City was a nominee for ICMA's annual Strategic Leadership & Governance Program Excellence Award which recognizes innovative local government programs or processes that have significantly affected a local government organization's culture or strategic direction.
- Florida League of Cities – The City was named one of five finalists for the Florida City of Excellence Award which recognizes overall excellence in a city government. The other finalists include the City of Delray Beach, the City of Eustis, the City of Fort Walton Beach, and the City of Port Orange. In addition, Commissioner Richard Steinberg is a finalist for the Council/Commission Member of the Year Award. The awards will be presented at the League's award luncheon on November 9, 2007 in Orlando, Florida.
- Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) – The City was named a finalist in the 2007 Innovative Business Solution Award which is given to organizations which successfully develop innovative and ethical solutions to new and/or ongoing organizational challenges. The City was recognized our "Working Together: One team – One City" program developed by the Office of Labor Relations which was designed to leverage the collaborative partnership between management and union employees as a catalyst for organizational effectiveness and the City's ability to better achieve its mission.

All of these awards recognize the many collaborative efforts made by the City and our employees to achieve our mission of providing excellent public services and safety to all who live, work and play in our vibrant, tropical, historic community.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please feel free to contact me.

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